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COUPLING PIPES	)	

**AMENDMENT & REPLY**

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated September 24, 2007, Applicant submits the following:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2; and  
Remarks begin on page 5.